

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Office Action dated May 2, 2006.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

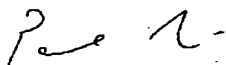
Claim 8 has been amended so that the subject-matter of the preamble is now positively recited in the body of the claim. Specifically, claim 8 now includes the step of generating coded data indicative of a functional attribute of a part of the region, a relative location on the region and an identity of the region. It is submitted that, since the subject-matter of claim 8 was entirely derivable from claim 8 as previously presented, there are no new issues for consideration by the Examiner.

It is further submitted that claim 8 is not anticipated by the disclosure of Wright for at the least the reasons provided in the Applicant's response filed on February 2, 2006. Nowhere does Wright describe the step of "generating coded data indicative of a functional attribute of a part of the region, a relative location on the region and an identity of the region". In particular, Wright fails to describe generating and printing coded data which is indicative of an identity of the region. Nor does Wright describe generating and printing coded data which is indicative of a relative location on the region.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the Examiner's rejections under 35 USC § 102 should be withdrawn.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections have been successfully traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application is courteously solicited.

Very respectfully,
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